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SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER ON ROLE OF SPC

1. PRIME MINISTER OF FIJI, RATU SIR KAMISESE MARA, WHO WILL LEAD FIJIAN DELEGATION TO FIFTEENTH SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE IN NAURU, IN NEWS CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 24 SAID GOF FEELS SPC STILL HAS USEFUL ROLE TO PLAY IN REGION WHERE THERE ARE STILL COLONIAL ADMINISTRATIONS AS WELL AS INDEPENDENT STATES. HOWEVER, HE BELIEVES SOME SPC PROGRAMS ARE NOW BETTER COVERED BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. HE CITED COMMISSION S HEALTH PROGRAM AND FACT THAT WHO IS BETTER EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THIS THROUGH ITS REGIONAL OFFICE. THEREFORE FIJI WILL PRESS FOR CHANGES IN FOCUS OF SPC THAT IT PRESENTED AT MEETING OF PLANNING/ EVALUATION COMMITTEE HELD IN NOUMEA IN MAY OF THIS YEAR.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, PRIMIN SAID HE DID NOT RPT NOT KNOW IF TOPIC OF FRENCH NUCLEAR TESTING IN PACIFIC WOULD BE RAISED, BUT ADDED IT USUALLY WAS AND THAT FRENCH DELEGATION USUALLY WALKED OUT.

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3. IN ADDITION TO PRIMIN, FIJI DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF

HONORABLE PENIAME NAQASIMA, ASSISTANT MINISTER IN PRIME
MINISTER S OFFICE, DR. MACU SALATO, FIJI S CANDIDATE FOR
POST OF SPC SECRETARY GENERAL, AND JIOJI KOTOBALAVU,
PERMANENT SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
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